UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

RIO MAR ASSOCIATES, L.P., S.E., a Delaware Limited

Partnership, d/b/a THE WESTIN RIO MAR BEACH RESORT,

Plaintiff,

**NOTICE OF MOTION** 

Case No. 07 CV 8227 (GBD)

-against-

MIXSHOW POWER SUMMIT, INC., a New York corporation; THE POWER SUMMIT, INC., a New York corporation; RPM MARKETING & PROMOTIONS, INC., a New York corporation; and RENE McLEAN, a New York resident.

Defendants.	
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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that upon the annexed declaration of Peter M. Agulnick, Esq., dated February 12, 2008, the annexed exhibits, the accompanying Memorandum of Law, and upon all prior proceedings, Defendants THE POWER SUMMIT, INC., RPM MARKETING & PROMOTIONS, INC. and RENE McLEAN will move this Court before Hon. George B. Daniels, at the courthouse located at 500 Pearl Street, Courtroom 15D, New York, NY 10007 on March 31, 2008 at 9:30 AM or as soon thereafter as counsel or pro se parties can be heard for an Order containing the following relief:

- (A) Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. Pro. 12(b)(1), dismissing this case Plaintiff's complaint because Plaintiff has failed to properly plead that this Court has subject-matter jurisdiction based upon diversity of the parties within the meaning of 28 U.S.C. § 1332; and
  - **(B)** such other relief that is appropriate.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that, pursuant to Local Rule 6.1(b), opposition papers, if any, shall be served and filed on or before March 17, 2008 and movants' reply papers, if any, shall be served and filed on or before March 27, 2008.

Dated: New York, New York February 12, 2008

Yours, etc.,

By:

PETER M. AGULNICK, P.C.

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RIO MAR ASSOCIATES, L.P., S.E., a Delaware Limited Partnership, d/b/a THE WESTIN RIO MAR BEACH RESORT,

Case No. 07 CV 8227 (GBD)

Plaintiff,

**DECLARATION OF PETER M. AGULNICK** 

-against-

MIXSHOW POWER SUMMIT, INC., a New York corporation; THE POWER SUMMIT, INC., a New York corporation; RPM MARKETING & PROMOTIONS, INC., a New York corporation; and RENE McLEAN, a New York resident,

Defendants.	
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PETER M. AGULNICK, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1746, states the following under penalty of perjury:

- 1. I am a principal of the law firm of Peter M. Agulnick, P.C., counsel of record for Defendants THE POWER SUMMIT, INC., RPM KARKETING & PROMOTIONS, and RENE McLEAN.
- 2. I submit this declaration in support of the present motion seeking an Order containing the following relief:
  - (A) Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. Pro. 12(b)(1), dismissing Plaintiff's complaint because Plaintiff has failed to properly plead that this Court has subject-matter jurisdiction based upon diversity of the parties within the meaning of 28 U.S.C. § 1332; and
    - **(B)** such other relief that is appropriate.

3. A copy of Plaintiff's Summons and Complaint is annexed here as **Exhibit A**.

4. Despite that Plaintiff is a limited partnership, Plaintiff's complaint fails to plead

the domiciles of any of Plaintiff's partners.

5. As is explained in the attached memorandum of law, a limited partnership is

considered a domiciliary of every state where any one of its individual partners is domiciled.

Plaintiff, who has the burden of establishing diversity jurisdiction, has failed to plead the

domicile of each partner thereby proving that this Court has subject matter of this case by

virtue of diversity pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1332.

6. Accordingly, this Court should grant the present motion in its entirety.

WHEREFORE, Defendants THE POWER SUMMIT, INC., RPM KARKETING &

PROMOTIONS, and RENE McLEAN request that this Court issue an Order containing the

following relief:

(A) Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. Pro. 12(b)(1), dismissing Plaintiff's complaint

because Plaintiff has failed to properly plead that this Court has subject-matter

jurisdiction based upon diversity of the parties within the meaning of 28 U.S.C. § 1332;

and

**(B)** such other relief that is appropriate.

Dated:

New York, New York February 12, 2008

PETER M. AGULNICK (PA 5030)

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# EXHIBIT



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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

RIO MAR ASSOCIATES, L.P., S.E., a
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RIO MAR BEACH RESORT.

Civ. Action No. 07 CV

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COMPLAINT

Plaintiff,

-against-

MIXSHOW POWER SUMMIT, INC., a
New York corporation; THE POWER SUMMIT,
INC., a New York corporation; RPM MARKETING
& PROMOTIONS, INC., a New York corporation;
and RENE McLEAN, a New York resident,

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Defendants.

Plaintiff RIO MAR ASSOCIATES, L.P., S.E., doing business as THE WESTIN RIO MAR BEACH RESORT, through its attorneys, alleges as follows:

#### JURISDICTION -

- 1. Plaintiff RIO MAR ASSOCIATES, L.P., S.E., doing business as THE WESTIN RIO MAR BEACH RESORT ("the Resort"), is a Delaware limited partnership in the business of operating a conference resort in Rio Mar, Puerto Rico.
- Upon information and belief, Defendant MIXSHOW POWER SUMMIT, INC.
   ("Mixshow") is a New York corporation, with its principal place of business at 400 W. 43<sup>rd</sup> Street,
   Apartment 7S, in New York, New York.
- 3. Defendant THE POWER SUMMIT, INC. ("The Power Summit") is a New York corporation, with its former principal place of business at 665 Broadway, Suite 801, in New York, New York, and its current principal place of business at 33 W-19th Street, in New York, New

York.

- 4. Defendant RPM MARKETING AND PROMOTIONS, INC. ("RPM") is a New York corporation, with its former principal place of business at 665 Broadway, Suite 801, in New York, New York, and its current principal place of business at 33 W. 19th Street, in New York, New York.
- Defendant RENE MCLEAN ("McLean") is a New York resident, residing at 400
   W. 43<sup>rd</sup> Street, Apartment 7S, in New York, New York.
- 6. Personal jurisdiction is proper in the Southern District of New York because all Defendants are residents of the city of New York and the state of New York.
- 7. The amount in controversy in this action exceeds \$75,000, exclusive of interest and costs, and Plaintiff and defendants are citizens of different states.
- 8. Subject matter jurisdiction is proper in the U.S. District Court, because district courts have original jurisdiction over civil actions where the matter in controversy exceeds \$75,000, exclusive of interest and costs, and is between citizens of different states. 28 U.S.C. §1332.

#### VENUE

9. Venue is proper in the Southern District of New York, because the Southern District of New York is the district in which all Defendants reside, and all Defendants reside in the same state. 28 U.S.C. §1391.

#### FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

- 10. Upon information and belief, in 1998, Defendants Mixshow, McLean and/or RPM began holding an annual urban music conference at hotels and resorts located in the Caribbean islands.
  - 11. Defendant McLean is the sole officer, employee, and owner of Defendant Mixshow.
- 12. In June 2002, Mixshow and the Resort entered into a contract signed by Defendant McLean, under which Mixshow, McLean, and/or RPM agreed to hold, and subsequently did hold, an event at the Resort called the "Mixshow Power Summit" in September 2003.
- 13. The entire business of Mixshow was to hold an annual urban music conference at hotels and resorts located in the Caribbean islands. From 1998 to 2003, this conference was called "Mixshow Power Summit."
- 14. Upon information and belief, Mixshow operated as a more instrumentality and alter ego of Defendants McLean and/or RPM.
- 15. At the conclusion of Mixshow's event in September 2003, Mixshow left an outstanding unpaid balance to the Resort in the amount of \$151,200.61 for facilities and services provided. Mixshow failed and refused to pay the amount owed.
- 16. On May 18, 2004, the Resort filed suit against Defendant Mixshow in the Court of First Instance in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, for breach of contract.
- 17. On June 1, 2004, Defendant THE POWER SUMMIT, INC. was formed and registered as a New York corporation by Defendant McLean.
- 18. Upon information and belief, in 2004 the name of the annual urban music conference at hotels and resorts located in the Caribbean islands was changed from the "Mixshow Power

Summit" to the "Power Summit."

- Upon information and belief, in 2004 Defendants McLean and/or RPM ceased 19. operations under the name "Mixshow Power Summit, Inc." and began the same operations under the name "The Power Summit, Inc."
- In the alternative, in 2004 Mixshow Power Summit, Inc. ceased operations and 20. transferred the entire business of Mixshow to Defendant The Power Summit, Inc., without fair consideration and with actual intent to hinder, delay, and/or defraud its creditors.
- Mixshow originally appeared in the Puerto Rico action by filing an Answer to the 21. Complaint on December 27, 2004, but failed to participate further in the proceedings.
- Upon motion, default was entered by the Puerto Rican court on July 21, 2005 against 22. Mixshow, following Mixshow's failure to appear to further appear in the proceedings.
- On October 25, 2005, a judgment was entered in Case No. KAC2004-3295 in the Puerto Rican court in favor of the Resort and against Mixshow in the total amount of \$167,868.36 (\$151,200.61 in principal + \$16,667.75 in attorneys fees), plus interest at the rate of seven percent (7%) per annum running from October 28, 2003.
- On July 13, 2006, a duly authenticated copy of the Puerto Rican judgment in favor of 24. the Resort and against Mixshow was filed in the Office of the Clerk of New York County, New York, pursuant to the provisions of C.P.L.R. §5402.
  - Despite demand for payment, the Puerto Rican judgment remains wholly unsatisfied. 25.
- The annual urban music conference at hotels and resorts located in the Caribbean 26. islands now called the "Power Summit" continues to operate. The website owned and operated by Defendant Power Summit, www.thepowersummit.com. advertises "the 10th annual Power Summit"

### FOR A FIRST CLAIM AGAINST DEFENDANT THE POWER SUMMIT, INC. (Successor Liability)

- Plaintiff repeats and realleges the allegations contained in the previous paragraphs. 27.
- Upon information and belief, Defendant Mixshow in 2004 ceased operations and 28. transferred its entire business to Defendant The Power Summit, without consideration and with actual intent to hinder, delay, and/or defraud its creditors.
- Upon information and belief, the sole business of Defendant The Power Summit is a 29. mere continuation of the sole business of Defendant Mixshow - the hosting of an annual urban music conference at hotels and resorts located in the Carribean Islands.
- In the alternative, upon information and belief Defendants Mixshow and The Power 30. Summit engaged in a de facto merger of operations subsequent to Mixshow's accrual of debt to the Resort.
- Defendant McLean is the sole officer, employee, and owner of Defendant Mixshow, 31. and is the principal owner and officer of Defendant The Power Summit.
- Because the business of Defendant The Power Summit is mere continuation of the 32. business of Mixshow, and/or because Mixshow and The Power Summit engaged in a de facto merger, Defendant The Power Summit has incurred successor liability for the judgment against Mixshow Power Summit, Inc.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff requests the following relief:

- That the Court enter judgment against Defendant The Power Summit, Inc. for the a. amount of the judgment entered against Defendant Mixshow under Index No. 06/109748, in the principal sum of \$167,868.36, plus interest at seven percent (7%) per annum from October 28, 2003 until paid in full;
- That the Court void any transfers from Defendant Mixshow to Defendant The Power Ь. Summit and allow Plaintiff to execute its judgment against Defendant Mixshow on any and all assets that were transferred from Mixshow to The Power Summit, including any assets obtained as a result of the fraudulent transactions; and
- For such other further relief that the Court deems just and proper. C.

### FOR A SECOND CLAIM AGAINST DEFENDANT RENE MCLEAN and RPM MARKETING & PROMOTIONS, INC. (Piercing the Corporate Veil)

- Plaintiff repeats and realleges the allegations contained in the previous paragraphs. 33.
- Defendant McLean is the sole officer, employee, owner, and/or shareholder of 34. Defendant Mixshow.
- The "offices" and "business address" of Defendant Mixshow are the apartment of 35. Defendant McLean, 400 W. 43rd Street, Suite 7S, New York, New York.
- Upon information and belief, Defendant Mixshow was grossly undercapitalized at its 36. inception, and its assets were unreasonably small in proportion to its obligations.
- Upon information and belief, Defendant Mixshow observed no corporate formalities 37. and paid no dividends.
  - Upon information and belief, Defendant Mixshow has failed to file any tax returns for 38.

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the years 2002 to the present.

- 39. Upon information and belief, Defendant McLean treated the assets of Defendant as if they were their own.
- 40. Defendant Mixshow was so dominated by Defendant McLean, and the separate entity of Defendant Mixshow was so ignored, that Defendant Mixshow primarily transacted the business of Defendant McLean instead of its own, and therefore is a mere instrumentality and alter ego of Defendant McLean.
- 41. In the alternative, the sole business of Defendant Mixshow the annual urban music conference at hotels and resorts located in the Caribbean islands was and continues to be conducted by Defendant RPM, and therefore Defendant Mixshow is a mere instrumentality and alter ego of Defendant RPM.
- 42. As a matter of equity, Plaintiff is entitled to pierce the corporate veil of Defendant Mixshow, and reach the assets of Defendants McLean and/or RPM to satisfy its judgment obtained against judgment debtor Mixshow.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff requests the following relief:

- a. That the Court enter judgment against Defendant Rene McLean for the amount of the judgment entered against Defendant Mixshow under Index No. 06/109748, in the principal sum of \$167,868.36, plus interest at seven percent (7%) per annum from October 28, 2003 until paid in full;
- In the alternative, that the Court enter judgment against Defendant RPM Marketing
   & Promotions, Inc. for the amount of the judgment entered against Defendant
   Mixshow under Index No. 06/109748, in the principal sum of \$167,868.36, plus

interest at seven percent (7%) per annum from October 28, 2003 until paid in full; and

For such other further relief that the Court deems just and proper. c.

## FOR A THIRD CLAIM AGAINST DEFENDANTS MIXSHOW POWER SUMMIT, INC., THE POWER SUMMIT, INC., AND RENE MCLEAN (Fraudulent transfer under NY DCL §273)

- Plaintiff repeats and realleges the allegations contained in the previous paragraphs. 43.
- Upon information and belief, Defendant Mixshow in 2004 ceased operations and 44. transferred its entire business to Defendant The Power Summit, without fair consideration.
- Defendant McLean is the sole officer, employee, and/or owner of Defendant Mixshow, 45. and is the principal owner and officer of Defendant The Power Summit.
- Upon information and belief, before Defendant Mixshow ceased operations in 2004, 46. Defendants McLean and Mixshow transferred its customer list and other assets to Defendant The Power Summit without fair consideration.
- Upon information and belief, Defendants McLean and Mixshow transferred the 47. website, www.mixshowpowersummit.com to Defendant The Power Summit without fair consideration.
- Upon information and belief, Defendant Mixshow was insolvent at the time of these 48. transfers, or in the alternative, was rendered insolvent by these transfers, because the present fair salable value of its assets was less than the amount it was required to pay on existing debts.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff requests the following relief under New York D.C.L. §273:

- That the Court void any and all transfers from Defendant Mixshow to Defendant The a. Power Summit as fraudulent;
- That the Court allow Plaintiff to execute its judgment against Mixshow on any and all b. assets that were transferred from Mixshow to Defendants The Power Summit and/or Rene McLean, including any assets obtained as a result of the fraudulent transactions; and
- For such other further relicf as the Court may deem just and proper. c.

### FOR A FOURTH CLAIM AGAINST DEFENDANTS MIXSHOW POWER SUMMIT, INC., THE POWER SUMMIT, INC., AND RENE MCLEAN (Fraudulent transfer under NY DCL §273-a)

- Plaintiff repeats and realleges the allegations contained in the previous paragraphs. 49.
- Upon information and belief, Defendant Mixshow in 2004 ceased operations and 50. transferred its entire business to Defendant The Power Summit, without fair consideration.
- Defendant McLean is the sole officer, employee, and/or owner of Defendant Mixshow, 51. and is the principal owner and officer of Defendant The Power Summit.
- Upon information and belief, before Defendant Mixshow ceased operations in 2004, 52. Defendants McLean and Mixshow transferred its customer list and other assets to Defendant The Power Summit without fair consideration.
- Upon information and belief, Defendants McLean and Mixshow transferred the 53. website, www.mixshowpowersummit.com to Defendant The Power Summit without fair consideration.

54. At the time of these transfers, Defendant Mixshow was a defendant in an action for money damages, filed by Plaintiff on May 18, 2004.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff requests the following relief under New York D.C.L. §273-a:

- a. That the Court void any and all transfers from Defendant Mixshow to Defendant The Power Summit as fraudulent;
- b. That the Court allow Plaintiff to execute its judgment against Mixshow on any and all assets that were transferred from Mixshow to Defendants The Power Summit and/or Rene McLean, including any assets obtained as a result of the fraudulent transactions; and
- c. For such other further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

# FOR A FIFTH CLAIM AGAINST DEFENDANTS MIXSHOW POWER SUMMIT, INC., THE POWER SUMMIT, INC., AND RENE MCLEAN (Fraudulent transfer under NY DCL §275)

- 55. Plaintiff repeats and realleges the allegations contained in the previous paragraphs.
- 56. Upon information and belief, Defendant Mixshow in 2004 ceased operations and transferred its entire business to Defendant The Power Summit, without fair consideration.
- 57. Defendant McLean is the sole officer, employee, and/or owner of Defendant Mixshow, and is the principal owner and officer of Defendant The Power Summit.
- 58. Upon information and belief, before Defendant Mixshow ceased operations in 2004, Defendants McLean and Mixshow transferred its customer list and other assets to Defendant The Power Summit without fair consideration.
  - 59. Upon information and belief, Defendants McLean and Mixshow transferred the

website, www.mixshowpowcrsummit.com to Defendant The Power Summit without fair consideration.

60. Upon information and belief, at the time of these transfers Defendants Mixshow and McLean believed and/or intended that it would incur debts beyond its ability to pay as the debts mature.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff requests the following relief under New York D.C.L. §275:

- That the Court void any and all transfers from Defendant Mixshow to Defendant The
   Power Summit as fraudulent;
- b. That the Court allow Plaintiff to execute its judgment against Mixshow on any and all assets that were transferred from Mixshow to Defendants The Power Summit and/or Rene McLean, including any assets obtained as a result of the fraudulent transactions; and
- c. For such other further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

# FOR A SIXTH CLAIM AGAINST DEFENDANTS SCIOPTIC, INC., SCIOPTIC INTERNATIONAL, LLC, AND DAVID AMAR (Fraudulent transfer under NY DCL §276)

- 61. Plaintiff repeats and realleges the allegations contained in the previous paragraphs.
- 62. Upon information and belief, Defendant Mixshow in 2004 ceased operations and transferred its entire business to Defendant The Power Summit with actual intent to hinder, delay, and/or defraud its present and future creditors.
- 63. Defendant McLean is the sole officer, employee, and/or owner of Defendant Mixshow, and is the principal owner and officer of Defendant The Power Summit.

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DATED: New York, New York August 29, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

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